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Travel map goes digital !!

GHOSTS...

Discovered in the Greer Building !!

Groundbreaking news about SH 130 !!

Recent retirees named !!

On the cover:

Touching up the 1967 Official State Highway Map before it goes to press is J.D. Eilers, Travel & Information Division draftsman. Read about how TxDOT does maps today on Page 6. TxDOT photo by Hugh Pillsbury

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Straight Talk



Learning leads to top job performance

by **Mike Behrens**

Executive Director

I don't think it matters what your job happens to be at TxDOT — you are excelling only when you are getting better at it by educating yourself, improving your skills and learning new ones. At the same time, TxDOT as a whole is doing its job only if the department adapts readily to change, incorporates new ideas, and remains open to innovation.

All of us must stay on top of the technologies connected to our jobs — whether you're a designer, engineer, computer programmer, researcher, travel counselor or bridge inspector, to name a few. Ultimately, that is what makes our roads safe, reduces congestion and keeps us responsive to our customers. From courses such as bridge maintenance to first aid to pavement rehabilitation, the hundreds of training classes available to employees represent both a mandate and a gift. By offering our employees the opportunity to continue learning way beyond their college or high school days, we make it clear that growth is part of job performance.

If you aren't learning something new in your job, you will be left behind in these rapidly changing times. Employees who years ago used typewriters to prepare reports or letters had to learn how to use word-processing programs on computers to continue to perform in their jobs. Engineers and architects have learned to use computers to aid design. Engineers will be using the Internet and computers to accumulate the continuing education required for their state licensing. Purchasing and warehouse workers must master the computer to keep track of their inventories and operations. From heavy-equipment operators to engineers, from information management systems to traffic-signal workers, our world is constantly changing and demanding that we stay on top of things.

Training is essential to accomplishing the TxDOT mission — it is the building block upon which everything TxDOT does is based. Please take a few minutes to view a list of classes available to employees at <http://crossroads.org/hrd/Learning/Ohome.asp> on the Crossroads Web site. Then talk to your supervisor about how you can take advantage of the training offered. By keeping your job skills polished, TxDOT will continue to shine. ★

The Ghosts of Greer



Photo-illustration by Buddy Allison

by **Mike Cox**
Editor

If Harvey Hubert hadn't fatally stabbed that young Austin man on Halloween night in 1916, he might have lived to see the fine new Highway Department building go up where the Travis County Jail once stood.

But that's not how it worked out. At 1:50 p.m. on Aug. 23, 1918, Sheriff George Matthews sprang the trap on the gallows inside the jail and Hubert paid for his crime at the end of a rope.

Hubert, 34, had the distinction of being the last of nine men legally hanged in the castle-like stone jail, built for \$100,000 in 1876 at the corner of 11th and Brazos streets — present location of the Dewitt C. Greer Building.

Who knows? Maybe Hubert's spirit has something to do with the mysterious footsteps and strange noises some TxDOT employees have reported hearing at night in the big meeting room and on the eighth floor when the building's supposedly empty. But for anyone who believes in ghosts, there are plenty of suspects.

The whole story: **TNews Online**
<http://crossroads.org/pio/tnol.htm>

Letter from the editor

For about the first five years of my newspaper career, pre-TxDOT, the production process involved lead type.

Once, unmoved at my carping over the cutting of some of my precious words, an editor who never went to management school snapped: "Well, we ain't got rubber type!"

Metal type has long since gone the way of the dinosaurs. Composition is done digitally these days, but there's still no squeezable type, rubber or electronic. In other words,

outer space may be infinite, but not TNews space.

A lot of significant things are going on across the state, from the groundbreaking of SH 130 in Central Texas to retirements by the hundreds. With an embarrassment of riches news-wise, we've had to leave some material out of this issue and publish some stories only in **TNews Online**.

We hope you'll take time to follow those stories, as well as read some articles that are **ONLY** available online.

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In addition to the retirements, you'll notice that we finally have TxDOT employee and retiree death notices back in TNews. We appreciate both your patience and all the help we've had from the districts in compiling these names.

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Finally, as we did last year, we'll be producing a double November-December issue to cover the 2003 Transportation Short Course.

—Mike Cox

TxDOT gains flexibility with OK from voters

by **Judy Curtis**
Managing Editor

Voters last month handed their fellow Texans — and TxDOT — a way to finance and build new roads faster — and perhaps cheaper.

The new capacity to ease traffic congestion stems from the Sept. 13 passage of Proposition 14, which gives TxDOT the ability to issue bonds to pay for highways and to borrow money on a short-term basis if funds to pay contractors run low.

“This gives us more flexibility and allows us to function more like a business,” says Steve Simmons, deputy executive director. “We can build projects faster, people can use the new roads sooner, and congestion can be lessened. It will give the department flexibility in how —

and how fast — we alleviate congestion.”

The constitutional amendment allows TxDOT to issue up to \$3 billion in bonds over three years, with a maximum of \$1 billion in any one year. The bonds must be repaid within 20 years with future deposits to the highway fund. In addition, 20 percent of the bond proceeds would be earmarked for safety projects.

“Traffic congestion adversely affects mobility, safety and quality of life,” says Simmons. “Needed improvements are delayed because of a lack of funds. This amendment will give us access to the funds when we need them.”

The funds that will result from the bond sales are not considered new money; that is, bonds must be

repaid with state highway fund money. The difference now is that TxDOT gets access to that money faster and at current, low-interest rates.

The amendment also will let TxDOT borrow on a short-term basis to keep transportation projects moving in spite of a temporary cash shortfall. The borrowed funds must be repaid within two years. Last year, the department had to delay some projects because the balance of the State Highway Fund was low and the department faced a shortage of funds with which to pay contractors.

“This is another tool in the array of funding options available to TxDOT and to local communities that will allow us to meet the transportation needs of the state,” says Simmons. ☼



TxDOT Roundup

BRYANT NEW DIRECTOR

Susan (Sue) N. Bryant has been appointed director of TxDOT's Public Transportation Division, effective Oct. 1. In her new job, Bryant will oversee the department's work to fund more than 350 public transit providers throughout Texas. She also will coordinate state efforts to improve service and efficiency of public transportation. She fills the position held on an interim basis by Wayne Dennis.

Bryant most recently served as Traffic Safety Section director for the Traffic Operations Division, a position she has held for nearly 14 years administering a \$42 million highway-safety program. She led TxDOT's coordination with state and local law enforcement officials to increase the use of safety belts in the state's urban areas to nearly 90 percent, the highest level since safety-belt laws went on the books in 1985.

Bryant began her TxDOT career in 1977 and advanced to director of public information and education in traffic safety. Prior to being named Traffic Safety Section director in 1989, she served as an aide to former TxDOT Deputy Director Henry Thomason.

She is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Iowa with a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in Communication. She also has a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas at Austin.

BURFORD NEW DIRECTOR

Scott D. Burford has been named the director of the General Services Division, effective Oct. 13. Burford will direct the department's central purchasing office and oversee the management of TxDOT's property, including the equipment fleet, disposal of surplus property and the

equipment preventive maintenance and alternative fuels programs.

Burford most recently served as the resource management and procurement services director in the Information Systems Division. He began his TxDOT career in 1981 as a facilities manager in what was then the Division of Automation. He also served as a human resource officer, General Services branch manager and Procurement and General Administrative Support Branch supervisor.

TxDOT WINS AT NTPAW

Five TxDOT entries won recognition at the annual National Transportation Public Affairs Workshop, recently held in Milwaukee, Wisc. The awards were presented as part of the 2003 American Association of State Highway and Transportation

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Urban areas to receive millions in transportation dollars

by Mark Cross

Public Information Office

Relief of traffic congestion in Texas' eight largest urban areas is on the way with the new Texas Metropolitan Mobility Plan approved by the Commission at its August meeting.

"It is time to change the way Texas plans, funds and delivers transportation systems in metropolitan areas," said John W. Johnson, transportation commission chair. "With this new plan, local transportation issues will be addressed and solved by the people most affected — local officials and citizens."

The new plan shifts control of millions of transportation dollars to local communities, resulting in more rapid planning, funding and completion of mobility projects among the state's largest cities.

TxDOT will allocate an annual, baseline amount of money to metropolitan areas to address congestion as they see fit. In the past, the Commission awarded transporta-

tion funds on a project by project basis. The Metropolitan Mobility Plan allows for a set, predictable allocation of funds to the state's eight most-congested urban areas. This change, combined with new tools from recent legislation (HB 3588) and the secured Texas Mobility Fund, provides urban areas with the necessary tools to meet their transportation needs.

Traffic congestion in Texas metropolitan areas threatens public safety, the state's economic vitality, and the quality of life for millions of people. In a search for relief, Gov. Rick Perry last year directed TxDOT to find solutions to the congestion problems plaguing the state's urban areas. The Metropolitan Mobility Plan resulted.

The plan gives metropolitan areas the flexibility to develop strategies to fit their needs, anticipate realistic allocation of funds, arrange for gaps in funding, and use new and improved methods to streamline delivery of transportation projects.

A key component of the plan is the Texas Congestion Index, which will measure the mobility of people and goods in each Texas metropolitan area. This index will measure the mobility of people and goods in each Texas metropolitan area, with attention to the delay time experienced by drivers. For example, a congestion index of 1.15 means that a peak-period trip would take no more than 15 percent longer than off-peak travel. The index will include mass transit, operational improvements and freight mobility.

"This plan is a huge step forward in increasing local control of metropolitan transportation issues," said Johnson. "It will save time, money and lives."

To hear an interview about the Metropolitan Mobility Plan with Steve Simmons, deputy executive director, by Sheila Clancy of the state comptroller's office, log onto <http://www.window.state.tx.us/comptrol/newsline/>. ★

TxDOT Roundup



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Officials Public Affairs Skills and Awards Competition.

The Traffic Operations Division was a multiple winner from TxDOT. Winning entries included:

- Category: poster — "Not Everyone Who Gets Hit by a Drunk Driver Dies."
- Category: non-broadcast video production — "Consequences."
- Category: audio production public-service announcement — "Consequences."

Each of the entries by Hollis focused on the effects that drunken drivers can have on others, as told through the experience of crash-survivor Jacqui Saburido.

Other winners from TxDOT

include:

- Research and Technology Implementation Office and Public Information Office, category: video news release — "TxDOT's Batman."
- Corpus Christi Public Information Office, category: writing, news release — "JFK Causeway Update and Travel Advisories."

DIKE ELECTED TO BOARD

Jerry Dike, director of the Vehicle Titles and Registration Division, was elected first vice-chair of the international board of the Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) during its recent conference in Philadelphia.

The AAMVA develops model

programs in motor vehicle administration, police traffic services and highway safety and serves as an information clearinghouse. The organization has spearheaded efforts to increase vehicle title and driver's license security, as well as promote uniformity and reciprocity among all U.S. and Canadian jurisdictions on vehicle titles, registrations, and driver licenses.

Dike has been active with AAMVA for 11 years. He was a past president of AAMVA's Region II and also served as a second vice chair of the international board. He recently served on the group's task force studying driver-license security in the U.S. and Canada. ★

Travel map moves down high-tech road

by **Judy Curtis**
Managing Editor

Texas' travel map has gotten a makeover.

Square inch by square inch, a multi-division/district TxDOT team has made high-tech improvements to the Texas Official Travel Map. This two-year effort to digitize the map will allow future revisions to happen with the click of a computer mouse instead of a stroke of a cartographer's etching tool.

As a result, TxDOT will spend less time and money updating the map each year, and travelers will get a more accurate map. In the past, maps contained some guesswork because the entire process was manual. But with today's global positioning equipment and other high-tech tools, the new, computer-generated map shows lakes, streams, city boundaries, and roadways pre-

cisely where they are.

"The accuracy of the information is greatly enhanced," says Dan Mullis, editor of the map.

For years, the Texas travel map has been made the old-fashioned way: by a cartographer who etched changes in the negative film used each time the map was printed.

"The existing map is really made up of layers of film with many pieces taped to each layer, and some pieces are decades old," says Brent Dollar, manager of the Travel Literature Branch in TxDOT's Travel Division.

The map and its components were stored in the map printer's Denver warehouse, close to the cartographer. Each year when TxDOT updated the map, Mullis communicated with the cartographer through e-mail descriptions and conversations, and the map would either get

new layers of film or the cartographer would etch new features to the existing film to represent road extensions and additions.

The transformation was undertaken with a vendor specializing in digital map production. Transferring the map to an electronic system saves thousands of dollars in cartographer fees and printing costs. The new technology will benefit TxDOT in other ways as well. The Travel Publications Section can now generate specialized maps for internal uses. For example, Mullis recently produced a detailed map for the Maintenance Division to post at a rest area to help travelers identify features unique to the area.

Some 2,300 changes were made in the transition during a nearly eight-month proofing process. Mullis and the map production team painstakingly assured that all towns, cities, selected roadways, name spellings and road numbers made the transition correctly to the new map. The new map also includes separate city inset maps for Brownsville, McAllen and Harlingen, highlighting the increased importance to tourism represented in those Rio Grande Valley cities.

Despite the major technological changes, the map retains its familiar feel and look — with a difference or two. Shades of magenta and aqua blue replace the pastel colors that once outlined nearby states and bodies of water. The subtle cosmetic changes have created a vibrant, more readable map. A change in font style transforms words into crisper, clearer, more readable type.

The map is now the product of the high-tech age rather than the cut-and-paste era: no more film, and no more etching lines into old film to account for a new road.

"This new map ultimately provides the state and our customers better service and a better product," says Doris Howdeshell, director of the Travel Division. ★



TxDOT photo by Tim Cunningham

TxDOT's new digital travel map will be available in January 2004.

SH 130 groundbreaking ushers in new era

by **Judy Curtis**
Managing Editor

A fall-scented breeze gently flapped the huge white canopy shading hundreds of Texans — dignitaries, school children, TxDOT employees, administrators and private sector partners — as 18-wheelers, SUVs and school buses roared past.

Empty fields dotted with bright yellow tractors and earth movers served as background for the groundbreaking of SH 130, a four-lane tollway from Interstate 35 north of Georgetown south to U.S. 183 near Mustang Ridge. Using innovative funding and project-delivery tools, the roadway is expected to be open for business in four years.

“This is a highway project of unprecedented scale,” says Gov. Rick Perry, who later led a groundbreaking ceremony with transportation commission members, and TxDOT and Central Texas elected officials. “It represents the future of how we will build roads in Texas.”

SH 130 is the first highway project in Texas to use a comprehensive development agreement — which through provisions for concurrent design and construction — helps shave 25 years off the time it takes to finish the job. The consortium overseeing the \$1.5 billion project, Lone Star Infrastructure, will perform work simultaneously rather than the traditional way of handling design first, funding next, and construction last.

“This is truly a historic moment in Texas transportation history,” Commissioner Robert Nichols says, “This is a big deal.”

The project benefits from major changes to state law that allow for innovative financing tools. HB 3588, passed during the 78th legislature allows for bonding and tolls as key funding sources for highways in Texas.

“Without these tools the legisla-



TxDOT photo by Kevin Stillman

Commission Chair John W. Johnson joins Central Texas school children attending the groundbreaking ceremonies for SH 130 in making handprints that will be set into concrete panels. These panels, bearing the students' and schools' names, will be incorporated into the completed SH 130 corridor.

ture and the governor gave us, we would not be here today,” says Nichols.

The 49 miles of SH 130 beginning just north of Georgetown will help break gridlock in Central Texas, divert NAFTA truck traffic from urban areas, and divert hazardous chemicals shipments from populated areas.

“Because of innovative financing and development tools, State Highway 130 will be finished years ahead of schedule, at a better price and to the great relief of Central Texans stuck in traffic,” Perry says.

“Tremendous population growth requires policies and practices that keep up with the times,” the governor continues. This (project) will ensure that people and products can be moved safely and reliably. The new road will bring more jobs to the area, reduce air pollution and the shipping of hazardous chemicals

through the area.”

The governor also praised transportation commissioners as “true visionaries ... They have created a reliable system of transportation that is critical to economic growth and a better quality of life.”

SH 130 is the largest element of the \$3.6 billion, 65-mile Central Texas Turnpike Project, an interconnected system of toll roads that includes SH 45 north and the Loop 1 extension. It is scheduled to open in December 2007. The entire 90-mile, four- to six-lane road will eventually extend to Seguin as additional funding and right of way become available.

“We’re breaking ground on a new way of building roads in Texas,” says state Rep. Mike Krusee, a key architect of new laws allowing for innovative funding sources. “In the future, we’ll build roads faster than ever.” ★



Exit Ramp

Nearly half of those eligible at TxDOT to take advantage of the early retirement incentive offered by the Legislature retired as of August 31, 2003. Following is a list of those 680 TxDOT employees.

Abilene District

John R. Allred, 40 years
Maintenance Technician
James B. Magill Jr., 38 years
Maintenance Technician
Doyle L. Donham, 38 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Robert G. Kilpatrick, 37 years
Construction Inspector
Jack A. Beeman, 35 years
Information Specialist
Arturo R. Melendez, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
James E. Brooks, 34 years
District Equipment Admin.
Marvin L. Rogers, 33 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Kendall R. Bullard, 31 years
Maintenance Technician
James C. McFadden, 31 years
Maintenance Technician
Joseph T. Locke, 31 years
Maintenance Technician
Jack L. Wallace, 30 years
Maintenance Inspector
James W. Milliner, 30 years
Construction Inspector
Alexander T. Hernandez, 30 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Larry D. Morris, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
David R. Petree, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Patrick D. McKennon, 30 years
Traffic Systems Supervisor
Steve E. Morton, 30 years
Sign Technician
Raymond C. Molina, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Bobby L. Voigts, 27 years
Traffic Systems Technician
Bennie D. Harvey, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jearldene T. Anderson, 24 years
Laboratory Supervisor
Gary L. Turnbow, 24 years
Purchaser
Thomas E. Crain, 23 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Arvol D. Boland, 23 years
Maintenance Supervisor
James A. Payne, 22 years
Material/Process Inspector
Elmer L. Graham, 18 years
Construction Inspector
Charles D. Wilson, 10 years
Building Maint. Technician
Erinda F. Mayfield, 9 years
Maintenance Technician
Dalton R. Owens, 5 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Amarillo District

Gary D. McPherson, 38 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Jerry L. Raines, 38 years
Area Engineer
Jimmie D. Simmons, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Don F. Reck, 36 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Robert Cervantes, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Michael J. James, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Michael W. Goode, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
James R. Oles, 33 years
Maintenance Technician
Lorenzo Jaramillo, 32 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
David L. Hauck, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jesse J. Velasquez, 29 years
Equipment Shop Supervisor
Shirley H. Scott, 29 years
Construction Inspector
James E. Ford, 26 years
Bridge Engineering Specialist
James A. Meaker, 26 years
Sign Technician
Fred B. Ramirez, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Cody F. Cowden, 25 years
Purchaser
Harry W. Oquin, 25 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Iva S. Davis, 21 years
Contract Specialist
Louis D. Camp, 20 years
Safety Officer
Roberta A. Stanley, 20 years
Office Technician
Helen N. Freidell, 19 years
Office Technician
John M. Britten, 14 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Johnny A. Andrada, 14 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles D. Strange, 10 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Donald W. Dutton, 10 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles R. Roberts, 9 years
Office Technician

Atlanta District

Robert E. Scott, 38 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Franklin D. Allen, 35 years
Environmental Specialist
Donald M. Hill, 31 years
Sign Technician
Bobby Ziedy, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Darlene C. Walker, 29 years
Right Of Way Agent
Derral R. Ward, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Leroy Jiles Jr., 29 years
Purchaser
Arnold Luckey, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Johnny E. Jackson, 22 years
Maintenance Inspector
Grady D. Steelman, 21 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Robert C. Abernathy, 13 years
Transportation Engineer
Veva L. Foster, 7 years
Design Technician

Audit Office Division

Garland G. Griffith, 18 years
Auditor
Samuel V. Crawford, 18 years
Auditor

Austin District

William C. Garbade, 39 years
District Engineer
Kenneth G. Harlow, 35 years
Maintenance Technician
Patsy K. Warren, 33 years
Design Project Coordinator
Howard J. Waneck, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Thomas A. Ohlendorf, 32 years
Director of Maintenance
Nancy M. Tiemann, 32 years
Auditor
Dierre C. Smith, 32 years
Equipment Mechanic
Carl E. Burkland, 31 years
District Maint. Administrator
Henry E. Ferguson, 31 years
Construction Inspector
Elgin O. Wendel, 31 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
David G. Mitchell, 30 years
Maintenance Technician
Stephen R. Landers, 30 years
Maintenance Technician
Dennis F. Ogradny, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles A. Rabik, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Ernest E. Welch Jr., 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Benjamin F. Locklear Sr., 27 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Andrew Sanchez, 26 years
Survey Technician
Carlos H. Strand, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Fernando R. Lerma, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Higinio S. Rodriguez, 23 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Teddy P. Hernandez, 23 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
James I. Jenkins Jr., 23 years
Radio Shop Coordinator
Baldomero M. Guerra, 22 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
S. L. Power, 14 years
Construction Inspector

Aviation Division

James T. Curl, 32 years
Construction Inspector

Beaumont District

Frank B. James Jr., 38 years
Deputy District Engineer
Jimmie E. Poplin Jr., 38 years
Maintenance Supervisor
John P. Hutto, 35 years
Assistant Area Engineer
Issac E. Hougesen, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Walter O. Crook, 34 years
District Engineer
Leonard M. Durow, 34 years
General Engineer Technician
Robert L. Conner, 34 years
Area Engineer V
Dudley S. Rollins, 31 years
Director
Thurman A. Rector, Jr., 30 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Ronnie E. Vanpelt, 25 years
Construction Inspector
William W. Bradberry II, 24 years
Equipment Mechanic
Jean E. Smith, 19 years
Office Technician
Kermit Richard, 18 years
Material/Process Inspector
Dudley A. Franzen Jr., 11 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Bridge Division

Ralph K. Banks, 41 years
Transp. Engineer Supervisor
James C. Wall, 37 years
Transp. Engineer Supervisor
Geneva W. Bass, 36 years
Office Technician
Marion M. Mays, 29 years
Design Technician
Daniel Ortegon, 21 years
Construction Inspector

Brownwood District

Rosevelt Duffie, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
James A. Zumwalt, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Clarence R. Chambers, 34 years
Equipment Mechanic
Jackie R. Arrowood, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
David C. Hinds, 30 years
Maintenance Technician
Jack H. Chastain, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Raymond D. Blackwell, 20 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Robert T. Johnston, 20 years
Transportation Maint. Chief

Bryan District

Allan N. Pritchard, 40 years
Director
Bobby J. Paholek, 37 years
Stripping Coordinator
John W. Parsons, 36 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Thomas L. Moehliman, 35 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Marie W. Stinnett, 34 years
DE/DD Secretary
Lonny G. Traweck, 34 years
District Engineer
Delmar L. Smith, 30 years
Contract Specialist

Morris W. Eubanks, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Sarah G. Chamberland, 29 years
Transp. Funding Specialist
Jose R. Flores, 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Gracie S. Rummel, 19 years
Accounting Specialist
John B. McClellan, 19 years
General Engineer Technician
Betty R. Gregurek, 18 years
Construction Record keeper
Betty B. Adams, 14 years
Office Technician

Childress District

Kenneth W. Patterson, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Montie V. Hays, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Charline J. Mays, 25 years
Maintenance Technician
Don A. Baxter, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Construction Division

Joe R. Canfield, 41 years
Transportation Engineer
Herbert W. Smart, 40 years
Material/Process Inspector
Juan Vega, 36 years
BOP Supervisor
Richard H. Lane, 34 years
Material/Process Inspector
Ronnie A. Gill, 34 years
Material/Process Inspector
Kenneth W. Fults, 33 years
Director
James M. Murphree, 33 years
Material/Process Inspector
Alice C. Daws, 32 years
Office Technician
George W. Reid, III, 32 years
Engineering Specialist
Janet M. Jensen, 31 years
Accounting Specialist
Cynthia F. Gonzales, 30 years
BOP Supervisor
Judy T. Alonzo, 29 years
Information Analyst
Bruno C. Voigt, 26 years
Material/Process Inspector
Thomas F. Ritter, 26 years
Laboratory Supervisor
Manuel M. Mercado, 25 years
Material/Process Inspector
Barbara A. Mallon, 18 years
Contract Specialist
George E. Lantz, 11 years
Materials Manager
David C. Laffrey, 9 years
Information Specialist

Contract Services Division

Connie J. Huntz, 19 years
Contract Specialist

Corpus Christi District

Anton F. Windmeyer, 42 years
Construction Inspector
David R. Gibson, 39 years
Construction Inspector
Jose Ybarra, 38 years
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Construction Inspector
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Maintenance Technician
Teodoro Hernandez Jr., 32 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Santiago Alvarez Jr., 30 years
Maintenance Technician
Raul H. Noyola, 29 years
Material Purchaser
Mario R. Garza, 25 years
Director
John E. Dippel, Jr., 22 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Israel A. Leiba, 21 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Wayne L. Carpenter, 16 years
Traffic Systems Technician

Dallas District

Billy B. Stewart, 45 years
Construction Inspector
Charles R. Tucker, 39 years
Director
David L. Watson, 38 years
Auditor
John F. Weatherly, Jr., 37 years
Maintenance Technician
Fred T. Callaway, 36 years
Laboratory Supervisor
Karen S. Wade, 36 years
Construction Administrator
Hershel W. Derryberry, 35 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Lynn M. Davis, 35 years
Office Technician
Billy J. Burgess, 34 years
Engineer Technician
James E. Hunt, 34 years
Director
Marvin R. Hanks, Jr., 33 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Michael A. McDougald, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
William C. Lovi, Jr., 32 years
Area Engineer
Dickie W. Russell, 32 years
Equipment Mechanic
Willard L. Simmons, 31 years
Construction Inspector
Jay R. Nelson, 31 years
District Engineer
Robert C. Rawlings, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Donnie R. Schroeder, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Claude S. Jones, Jr., 28 years
Area Engineer
Wanda P. Prock, 26 years
Maintenance Technician
Leo Donahue, 25 years
Traffic Systems Technician
Carl P. Porath, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
John B. Dupre, 25 years
Engineer Technician
Gary H. Grant, 24 years
Construction Inspector
Jackie S. Downs, 24 years
Construction Inspector
Peggy A. Simmons, 24 years
Office Technician
Paul E. Laird, 24 years
Design Technician
Diann J. Rhodes, 24 years
Maintenance Technician
Woodroe T. Portley, 23 years
Metal Fabrication Specialist
Urban W. Lankford, 20 years
Construction Inspector
Richie L. Woods, 20 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Dorothy M. Prasifka, 18 years
Maintenance Technician
Timothy B. Prasifka, 16 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Jerry W. Sargent, 14 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
William S. Christian, 11 years
Right Of Way Agent
Paul E. Maddox, 10 years
Construction Inspector
Jackie R. Featherston, 9 years
Construction Inspector
Lionel Hemmons, 9 years
Equipment Mechanic
Harry D. Burnett, 7 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
John C. Kennedy, Jr., 7 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Aleeta R. Connelley, 6 years
Right Of Way Agent
Joseph C. McBee, 6 years
Right Of Way Agent

Design Division

Herbert R. Neimann, 31 years
Assistant Director

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Joe T. Denton, 30 years
Administrative Manager
Joyce K. Martinets, 28 years
Transp. Funding Specialist

El Paso District

Ed L. Wagner, 37 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Manuel F. Aguilera, 36 years
Deputy District Engineer
Andres J. Pacheco, 36 years
Design Technician
Manuel D. Murillo, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Javier Herrera, 35 years
Engineering Specialist
Carlos A. Ahumada, 35 years
Area Engineer
Manuel A. Morales, 34 years
Maintenance Technician
Rene G. Mendez, 34 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Donaciano Fuentez, 34 years
Design Technician
Juan Y. Gonzales Jr., 33 years
Maintenance Technician
Donald L. Denham, 33 years
Director
Robert Lagos, 33 years
Equipment Mechanic
Vicente S. Ramirez, 29 years
Maintenance Technician
Patricia C. Welty, 29 years
Accounting Specialist
Antonio Nunez Jr., 27 years
Equipment Mechanic
Jose L. Almanza, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Dale Y. Atkinson, 25 years
Construction Records Auditor
Reynaldo R. Loya, 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jimmy R. Roe, 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Hector I. Jaquez, 24 years
Right Of Way Agent
Armando G. Sanchez, 22 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Craig S. Warren, 21 years
Transportation Engineer
Peggy A. Birkner, 21 years
Administrative Assistant
Alfredo Lopez, 21 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Tracy W. Griffin, 18 years
Special Project Supervisor
Ricardo T. Sanchez, 7 years
Transportation Engineer

Environmental Affairs Division

Kenneth E. Holmes, 8 years
Environmental Supervisor

Finance Division

Virgil E. Finley, 34 years
Director
Brenda L. Nilsson, 30 years
Accounting Specialist
Rosalinda R. Soto, 26 years
Accounting Specialist
Barbara L. Gittinger, 25 years
Accounting Supervisor
Artie V. Elliott, Jr., 20 years
Planner
Earl G. Gatlin, 17 years
Budget Forecast Analyst
Elizabeth A. Keller, 15 years
Accounting Specialist
Rodrigo Castilleja, 11 years
Budget Forecast Analyst

Fort Worth District

Burton Clifton, 55 years
Director
Jackie L. Clark, 37 years
Warehouse Coordinator
Max M. Sampley, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Paul D. Williams, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Otis M. Hooten, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Ronald W. Zinn, 33 years
Construction Inspector
William E. Gartrell, 33 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Travis D. Coursey, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Michael N. Carter, 33 years
Project Coordinator
Luis Rodriguez, 33 years
Survey Specialist
William D. Roy III, 32 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
David N. Oster, 32 years
Asst. Maintenance Supervisor
Jimmy G. Burton, 31 years
Environmental Specialist
Robert A. Hooks, 30 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Edna M. Phillips, 30 years
Purchaser
Peggy C. Cooper, 30 years
Construction Records Auditor
Donald C. Stanley, 30 years
Equipment Mechanic
Antonio S. Castillo, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Perry W. Hart, 29 years
Construction Inspector
Glen T. Popejoy, 29 years
Construction Inspector
John M. Bridges, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Edward Riojas, 27 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Ray E. Caudle, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Andrew J. Williams Jr., 25 years
Construction Inspector
Jessie E. Pike, 25 years
Traffic System Supervisor
Virginia R. Potter, 25 years
Office Technician
Judy C. Nash, 25 years
Construction Records Auditor
Anne E. Wohlfeil, 25 years
Accounting Supervisor
Jimmy W. Banner, 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Joe Diles, 23 years
Survey Specialist
Ronald F. Jones, 22 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
James Darling, 22 years
Special Jobs Assistant
William T. Bennett, 21 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Garland R. Parchman, 20 years
Purchaser
Douglas A. Miller, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Tommy R. Stacy, 16 years
Maintenance Technician
Encarnacion R. Segura, 13 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Gary D. McCoy, 10 years
Architect

General Service Division

Elaine M. Campbell, 27 years
Purchaser
Lawrence J. Zatopek, 35 years
Division Director
Brenda S. Thompson, 34 years
Office Technician
Cherry C. Jackson, 33 years
Purchaser
Beverly A. Houston, 31 years
Reprographic Technician
Mary V. Fuessel, 30 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Juan Ramos, 25 years
Office Technician
Amelia F. Alba, 25 years
General Service Technician
Thomas L. Nanyes, 25 years
Machine Shop Supervisor
Debra D. Beers, 24 years
Office Technician
Laddie L. Bordovsky, 22 years
Facilities Supervisor
Jose M. Olvera, 20 years
Security Operations Manager

Charles C. McKinney, 19 years
Director
Ernest G. Gregg, 16 years
Director
Larry G. Benavides, 9 years
Reprographic Technician
Eugene R. Trevino, 7 years
Reprographic Technician

Houston District

James H. Salmeron, 42 years
Plan Reviewer
Robert Moss, 41 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Kirby G. Rummel, 39 years
Construction Inspector
Joe D. Hargett, 29 years
Warehouse Coordinator
Keith D. Carlton, 38 years
Construction Inspector
Richard D. Pitts, 37 years
Material/Process Inspector
Richard E. Silva, 37 years
Office Technician
Jimmie N. Lowery, 37 years
Construction Inspector
Mary J. Richmond, 35 years
Right Of Way Agent
Betty J. Mueller, 35 years
Accounting Specialist
Jerry R. Lofland, 34 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Musa J. Misleh, 34 years
Information System Analyst
Jerry W. Richey, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Victor A. Elizalde, 34 years
Equipment Mechanic
Lester R. West, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Gary W. Van Ness, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles S. Burks, 32 years
Maintenance Administrator
Billy R. Hodges, 32 years
Ferryboat Engineer
Billie T. Dickson, 32 years
Ferryboat Engineer
Travis K. Turner, 31 years
Construction Inspector
Shirley D. Woods, 31 years
Office Technician
Judith W. Davis, 31 years
Construction Record Keeper
Henry L. Davis, 29 years
Construction Inspector
Arnold B. Haynes, 28 years
Construction Inspector
Michael C. Kennedy, 28 years
Design Technician
Sidney C. Perrett, 27 years
Ferry Maintenance Technician
Pete E. Walleck, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Michael L. Amburn, 25 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Frankie H. Stuksa, 24 years
Design Technician
Lyn S. Stoerner, 24 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Sandra M. Locke, 24 years
Office Technician
Inman A. Hunt, Jr., 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Eugene A. McLendon, 23 years
Ferryboat Engineer
Juan Rodriguez, 23 years
Equipment Supervisor
Bobbie B. Shelnutt, 23 years
Accounting Specialist
Jose A. Villarreal, 22 years
Design Technician
Eliseo I. Rendon, 22 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Earnest R. Williamson, 21 years
Construction Inspector
Clyde D. Goodson, 21 years
Construction Inspector
Catherine D. Rector, 21 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Janet E. Lamphier, 20 years
Design Technician

Robert R. Flores, 20 years
Design Technician
Daniel Leija, 18 years
Traffic Systems Technician
Grace H. Parker, 18 years
Design Technician
Cleopatra Gates, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Wayne E. Stone, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Rebecca O. Salazar, 18 years
Right of Way Supervisor
Clifford Leach, 18 years
Equipment Mechanic
William P. Hendley, 17 years
Reprographic Technician
Judith H. McLin, 16 years
Office Technician
Richard A. Harrison Sr., 15 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Billy R. Sykes Sr., 15 years
Building Maintenance Mechanic
Alexander L. Ramirez, 15 years
Traffic Systems Technician
Jerry Roach, 14 years
Construction Maint. Tech.
Milburn A. Goodwin, 10 years
Planning Assistant
Joseph R. Roberts, 10 years
Ferryboat Deckhand
Nathuu S. Parate, 7 years
Transportation Engineer
Charles R. Salazar, 7 years
Equipment Mechanic
John M. Elmore, 5 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Human Resources Division

Ruth M. Frost, 33 years
Human Resource Officer
Andra H. Michel, 28 years
Human Resource Specialist

Information Systems Division

Roy L. Mills Jr., 36 years
Information System Analyst
Karen S. Jordahl, 35 years
Information System Analyst
Roberta D. Conklin, 33 years
Office Technician
Larry D. Kitten, 29 years
Information Systems Analyst
Sam V. Jones Jr., 28 years
Computer Operator
Truc T. Tran, 25 years
Information Systems Analyst
James L. Barton, 20 years
Special Project Coordinator
Edward H. Lybrand, 17 years
Information System Analyst
Hamek S. Bains, 16 years
Information System Analyst
Barbara J. Kullenberg, 11 years
Office Technician
Donald M. Fortune, 9 years
Network Specialist
Kenneth L. Moore, 9 years
Customer Support Coordinator
Esperanza R. Kruse, 5 years
Information Systems Analyst

Laredo District

Isabel De La Rosa, 35 years
Maintenance Technician
Leonel G. Barrera, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Emiterio Salinas Jr, 34 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Isidoro Sierra, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Antonio F. Gonzalez, 32 years
Maintenance Technician
Robert C. Parker, 32 years
Area Engineer
Santos A. Garcia, 31 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Uvaldo G. Garcia Jr, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Idolina P. Perez, 29 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Ricardo S. Veliz, 29 years
Preventive Maint. Coordinator

Arturo Martinez, 29 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Inocencio G. Rivera, 26 years
Office Technician
Jane P. Schumann, 25 years
Office Technician
Alfonso Moncibais Jr, 24 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Raul Flores, 24 years
Engineering Technician
Raymundo V. Mendoza, 23 years
Metal Fabrication Specialist
Ezequiel H. Cedillo, 23 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Efrain Santana, 23 years
Engineering Technician
Domingo Garcia, 17 years
Maintenance Supervisor
John H. Long, 9 years
Landscape Technician

Legislative Affairs Office

David E. Soileau, 23 years
Director

Lubbock District

Leonard J. Albus Jr., 39 years
Design Project Coordinator
Kenneth R. Sylvestre, 37 years
Safety Officer
Johnnie W. Howard, 36 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Phillip A. Taylor, 35 years
Stripping Coordinator
Warren L. Davis, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Ronald G. Davis, 31 years
Chief Accountant
Clarence J. Brackens, 31 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Don J. Garrett, 29 years
Metal Fabrication Specialist
Tomas Reyna, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
John A. Hernandez, 29 years
Construction Inspector
Edward W. Alexander, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles L. Bolton, 29 years
Engineering Technician
Robert D. McBride, 27 years
Equipment Shop Coordinator
Jerry G. Cooper, 25 years
Traffic System Supervisor
Richard D. Pinkerton, 25 years
Construction Inspector
Anita W. Patterson, 24 years
Maintenance Technician
Yvonne W. Nevins, 24 years
Maintenance Technician
J. R. Collins, 22 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Eddie D. Hickson, 21 years
Construction Inspector
Alvin L. Cartwright, 20 years
Maintenance Technician
Charles E. Henry, 19 years
Right of Way Agent
Irving E. Craft, 17 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Isaias T. Jimenez, 14 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Tony V. Trevino, 14 years
Equipment Mechanic
Forrest L. Newton, 12 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Rukne F. Kawaja, 11 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Homer J. Phillippe, 10 years
Asst. Maintenance Supervisor

Lufkin District

Donald L. Williams, 41 years
Construction Inspector
David L. Pitts, 38 years
Equipment Administrator
Wilburn Flournoy, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Vernon W. Shepherd, 37 years
Engineering Technician
Chester R. Still, 37 years
Area Engineer

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James O. Doyle, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Thomas F. Dobbs, 36 years
Engineering Technician
Joe L. Melson, 35 years
Maintenance Supervisor
James L. Athey, Jr., 33 years
Director
Nancy R. Allen, 33 years
Warehouse Coordinator
Joe H. Buller, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Derwood Cravy, 32 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Ronnie P. McClelland, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Dorothy F. Lyons, 29 years
Laboratory Supervisor
Carolyn D. Smith, 27 years
Office Technician
James W. Dixon, 26 years
Maintenance Administrator
John H. Horace, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Maxey R. Wynn, 5 years
Safety Officer

Maintenance Division

Roger S. Williams, 23 years
Facilities Section Director
James W. Daily, 19 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Herbert A. Hamblin, 19 years
Facility Engineer
Richard N. Goeth, 14 years
Facility Supervisor
Mary Arredondo Reyes, 11 years
Office Technician

Motor Carrier Division

Lawrance R. Smith, 34 years
Division Director
Kathleen T. Hunt, 33 years
DE/DD Secretary
Jacquelyne S. Greenlee, 26 years
Section Manager

Motor Vehicle Division

Melvin E. Mills, 15 years
Div. Administrative Law Judge

Occupational Safety Division

Judith I. Geissen, 11 years
Office Technician
Carl R. Rasor, 7 years
Occupational Safety Specialist

Odessa District

Royce D. Reynolds, 38 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Antonio D. Torres, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Billy K. Powell, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Ruben S. Lujan, 34 years
Maintenance Technician
Jerry D. Lefevre, 33 years
Right of Way Agent
Adan R. Luna, 31 years
Director
Jose A. Rodriguez, 30 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Timothy H. Zauerucha, 26
Maintenance Supervisor
Rosendo C. Galindo, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Clemente Villa Jr., 20 years
Safety Officer
Paul J. Henderson, 18 years
Transportation Engineer
Alberto M. Fuentez, Jr., 17 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Henry H. Cook Jr., 5 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Paris District

Thomas R. Anderson, 39 years
Construction Inspector
Gerald W. Byas, 39 years
Construction Inspector
Lewis W. Clement, 38 years
Director

Ronnie W. Perry, 36 years
Transp. Engineering Suprv.
James G. Freeman, 34 years
District Engineer
Terry W. Petty, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Paul R. Hutchins, 332 years
Plan Reviewer
Jimmy D. Hewitt, 31 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Jerry D. Palmer, 31 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
John C. Hodge, 27 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Gerald E. Jackson, 26 years
Engineering Technician
Scotty B. Humphrey, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Dan D. Bray, 25 years
Maintenance Inspector
Fred W. Hall Jr., 20 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Mary J. Phillips, 11 years
Maintenance Technician
Doris B. Sheridan, 10 years
Accounting Specialist
Ernest Silva, 7 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Pharr District

Leopoldo A. Morales, 43
Transportation Engineer
Pedro Galvan, 34 years
Maintenance Technician
Ramiro Cantu, 34 years
Right of Way Administrator
John J. Blackwell, 34 years
Purchaser/Material Specialist
Martin Garza, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
James R. Baker, 32 years
Equipment Administrator
Esequiel Perez, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Martin A. Polanco, 16 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Reynaldo Avila, 16 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Research & Technology

Implementation Office
Lana L. Ashley, 34 years
Contract Management Suprv.
Paul E. Krugler, 31 years
Division Director

Right Of Way Division

Linda S. Miears, 28 years
Micrographic Technician
Nancy J. Greathouse, 9 years
Information Resource Spec.

San Angelo District

Julio C. Galvan Jr., 39 years
Sign Technician
Jerry M. Fields, 35 years
Bridge Engineering Specialist
Elzy E. Beam, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Alfred C. Bermea, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Edward B. Stovall Jr., 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Juan G. Jimenez, 27 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Arnulfo G. Benavidez, 27 years
Sign Technician
William K. Wiley, 26 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Roy L. Stanley, 26 years
Preventive Maint. Coordinator
Betty S. Kohutek, 17 years
Maintenance Inspector
Richard L. Martin, 15 years
Material/Process Inspector
Raul F. Torres, 15 years
Radio Repair Technician

San Antonio District

Jimmy K. Walch, 29 years
Traffic System Supervisor
Henry A. Geigenmiller, 39 years
Maintenance Technician

John V. Bradfield Jr., 39 years
Construction Inspector
Vernon L. Jordan, 39 years
Material/Process Inspector
Lee R. Ballard, 29 years
Info. Resource Specialist
Robert L. McCulloch, 39 years
Construction Inspector
Olivia J. Labrie, 38 years
Construction Inspector
Ronald S. Keenum, 38 years
Equipment Mechanic
Kenneth R. Roemer, 38 years
Engineering Technician
Benno Haecker, Jr., 38 years
Material/Process Inspector
Jesus C. Cuevas, 37 years
Construction Inspector
Gerald P. Burell, 37 years
Engineer Technician
George G. Acosta, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
James R. Mikesch, 37 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Juan A. Zaragoza, 37 years
Right of Way Administrator
David C. Lutz, 37 years
Engineering Technician
Billy D. Lord, 37 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Gilberto Sanchez, 35 years
Highway Emergency Suprv.
John W. Bode, 35 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Alfred A. Fey, Jr., 35 years
Construction Inspector
Hadley B. Elikor, 34 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Felix M. Solis Jr., 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
John P. Kelly, 33 years
District Engineer
Larry G. Strey, 33 years
Equipment Shop Supervisor
James T. Donahoe, 33 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Bill M. Tucker, 33 years
Area Engineer
Charles A. Comparini Jr., 32 years
Traffic System Supervisor
Carroll W. Svoboda, 32 years
Sign Technician
Abel Galvan, 31 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jose E. Mendez, 31 years
Building Maint. Mechanic
Martha G. Borth, 30 years
Construction Records Auditor
John C. Benke, 30 years
Right of Way Supervisor
Anselmo Morales, 30 years
Engineering Technician
Margaret G. Smith, 30 years
Human Resource Specialist
George A. Guerra, 29 years
Maintenance Technician
Alex E. Chapa, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jesus J. Flores, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Anita F. Lytell, 27 years
Accounting Supervisor
Travis A. McDaniel, 25 years
Emergency Response Oper.
Victoria G. Zambrano, 23 years
Office Technician
Consuelo A. Flores, 22 years
Office Technician
Robert C. Boyte, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Ronald M. Gregurek, 18 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Arlen G. Graff, 15 years
Maintenance Technician
James L. Parker, 5 years
Purchase/Materials Admin.

Travel Division

Joseph H. Slocum Jr., 11 years
Office Technician
Lila M. Bullard, 4 years
Travel Counselor
Alice M. Dement, 1 year
Travel Counselor

Tyler District

Eldon L. McCauley, 39 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Louie J. Lambeth, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Averil D. Douthitt, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Rose R. Aune, 36 years
Human Resources Officer
Bernie K. Dodd, 36 years
Area Engineer
William H. Blackmon, 35 years
Maintenance Technician
Robert A. Carlile, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Daniel A. Aylor, 31 years
Transp. Planning Engr. Suprv.
Henry A. Kesinger, 30 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Nathaniel Temple, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Lawrence R. Gates, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Randall R. Davis, 24 years
Bridge Inspector Engineer
Gordon B. Graham Sr., 19 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Leonard G. Stigall, 19 years
Purchase/Material Specialist
Larry O. Bass, 18 years
Construction Inspector
Jerry Blackburn, 17 years
Construction Engineer
Judith S. Matney, 11 years
Office Technician
John F. Lewis, 7 years
Sign Technician

Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

William D. Pool, 38 years
Operations Manager
Mavis R. Tennison, 34 years
Operations Supervisor
David G. Linzey, 34 years
Headquarters Operation Dir.
Bernice S. Cooper, 34 years
Information System Analyst
Jesus Rios, 33 years
Operations Branch Manager
Joel W. Lehman, 33 years
Operations Supervisor
Glen R. Kinnibrugh, 32 years
Operations Branch Manager
Cathy T. Williamson, 31 years
Operations Supervisor
Charles S. Crayton, 31 years
Operations Specialist
Glenn Simpson, 31 years
Operations Branch Manager
Ronald K. Haferkamp, 31 years
Operations Specialist

Richard E. Herndon, 18 years
Transportation Engineer
Michael T. Preston, 13 years
Information System Analyst
Abdul Q. Khan, 13 years
Information Systems Analyst
Charles R. Reeves, 9 years
Information System Analyst

Transportation Planning and Programming Division

Martin G. Broad, 36 years
Roadway Record Branch Mgr.
Bob L. Jurak, 31 years
Planner
Stephen O. Haizlip, 21 years
Contract Specialist
Joan E. Ludwig, 19 years
Traffic Monitor Specialist
Shirley R. Robins, 18 years
Transp. Funding Specialist
Robert B. St. John, 18 years
Traffic Data Manager

Travel Division

Joseph H. Slocum Jr., 11 years
Office Technician
Lila M. Bullard, 4 years
Travel Counselor
Alice M. Dement, 1 year
Travel Counselor

Tyler District

Eldon L. McCauley, 39 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Louie J. Lambeth, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Averil D. Douthitt, 37 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Rose R. Aune, 36 years
Human Resources Officer
Bernie K. Dodd, 36 years
Area Engineer
William H. Blackmon, 35 years
Maintenance Technician
Robert A. Carlile, 33 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Daniel A. Aylor, 31 years
Transp. Planning Engr. Suprv.
Henry A. Kesinger, 30 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Nathaniel Temple, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Lawrence R. Gates, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Randall R. Davis, 24 years
Bridge Inspector Engineer
Gordon B. Graham Sr., 19 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Leonard G. Stigall, 19 years
Purchase/Material Specialist
Larry O. Bass, 18 years
Construction Inspector
Jerry Blackburn, 17 years
Construction Engineer
Judith S. Matney, 11 years
Office Technician
John F. Lewis, 7 years
Sign Technician

Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

William D. Pool, 38 years
Operations Manager
Mavis R. Tennison, 34 years
Operations Supervisor
David G. Linzey, 34 years
Headquarters Operation Dir.
Bernice S. Cooper, 34 years
Information System Analyst
Jesus Rios, 33 years
Operations Branch Manager
Joel W. Lehman, 33 years
Operations Supervisor
Glen R. Kinnibrugh, 32 years
Operations Branch Manager
Cathy T. Williamson, 31 years
Operations Supervisor
Charles S. Crayton, 31 years
Operations Specialist
Glenn Simpson, 31 years
Operations Branch Manager
Ronald K. Haferkamp, 31 years
Operations Specialist

Kenneth W. Carey, 31 years
Operations Supervisor
Elizabeth R. Quiroz, 29 years
Operations Specialist
Jesusa R. Duron, 38 years
Operations Specialist
Mildred L. Simons, 28 years
Operations Supervisor
Carolyn G. Williams, 27 years
Operations Specialist
Charles A. Johannessen, 26 years
Info. Resource Specialist
Elaine B. Wise, 19 years
Customer Service Coordinator
Peggy D. Hill, 17 years
Operations Specialist
Carla W. Miller, 14 years
Human Resource Specialist
Patricia A. Smethers, 11 years
Planning Assistant
James L. Miears, 8 years
Operations Specialist
Norma J. Nanys, 5 years
Office Technician

Waco District

Edward R. Zettler, 41 years
Maintenance Technician
Linda T. Roming, 38 years
Construction Records Auditor
Darwin J. Ivicic, 36 years
Design Project Coordinator
Darrel L. Grote, 36 years
Engineering Technician
Ronald E. Koester, 34 years
Transp. Engineering Suprv.
John W. Self, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Thomas E. Brazzil, 32 years
Maintenance Technician
Michael J. Boehme, 30 years
Sign Technician
Paul R. Spear, 30 years
Right of Way Administrator
Roy L. Jennings, 29 years
Traffic Systems Supervisor
Clarence L. Johnson, 29 years
Equipment Administrator
Kathryn S. Hartin, 23 years
Contract Specialist
Larry W. Smith, 22 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Steven N. Hurst, 21 years
Bldg. Maintenance Mechanic
Franklin P. Hurt, 17 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Jerry R. Thompson, 10 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Richard L. Bone, 10 years
Construction Inspector

Wichita Falls District

Virgil G. Smith Jr., 37 years
Equipment Administrator
Glenn T. Payton, 37 years
Special Jobs Supervisor
Arlen C. Powers, 36 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Jerry L. Lancaster, 36 years
Maintenance Supervisor
William R. Hibbs, 36 years
Maintenance Supervisor
James M. Bryan, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Cloyce B. Mitchell, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Valentin Martinez, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Don A. Hogan, 33 years
Maintenance Technician
David C. Heimk, 31 years
Engineering Technician
Gary M. Hendricks, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Earl R. Biggs, 24 years
Bldg. Maintenance Mechanic
Virginia J. Pfau, 10 years
Maintenance Technician
Harold W. Mason, 10 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

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In Memoriam



Fort Worth District

James "Shorty" Gestes
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1994
Died March 10, 2002

Bob George
ROW Supervisor
Retired 1982
Died March 30, 2002

Don E. Lee
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1991
Died June 9, 2002

Gary Barnes
Motor Vehicle Technician
Died August 10, 2002

Leroy Fitzgerald
Maintenance Supervisor
Retired 1990
Died September 23, 2002

Lester "Les" Colvin
Engineer Tech
Retired 1989
Died October 28, 2002

Alvin "Butch" Fron
Transportation Maint.
Specialist
Retired 1998
Died December 31, 2002

H. Ray Griffin
Engineer Technician
Retired 1982
Died February 7, 2003

Billy Stone
Engineer Technician
Retired 1985
Died February 15, 2003

Pauline Bloyd
Program Administrator
Retired 1995
Died March 6, 2003

Robert "Jack" Pitts
Courtesy Patrolter
Died April 26, 2003

Leartus Willburn
Maintenance Technician
Retired in 1985
Died June 20, 2003

Howard Hodges
Engineer Technician
Retired 1984
Died July 1, 2003

W.R. "Pete" Henry, Sr.
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1979
Died September 13, 2003

Cliff Harville
Engineering Technician
Retired in 1987
Died October 4, 2003

Houston District

Richard A. Martinez
Engineering Specialist I
Died March 10, 2003

Margaret B. Barrett
Administrative Technician
Died May 7, 2003

El Paso District

Carlos S. Medina
Roadway Maintenance
Technician
Retired 1993
Died March 11, 2003

Lufkin District

Lenard G. Havard
District Equipment Supervisor
Retired 1987
Died February 10, 2003

Odessa District

Elias H. Rodriguez Sr.
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1988
Died March 3, 2003

Paris District

Harvey T. Goley
Maintenance Mechanic
Retired 1988
Died November 23, 2002

Robert Lee Smith
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1987
Died December 8, 2002

Edward R. Newell
Engineering Technician
Retired 1996
Died December 13, 2002

Jack C. Mason
Engineering Technician
Retired 1985
Died March 9, 2003

Bennett "Ben" Dove
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1982
Died April 11, 2003

Thomas D. Ashford
Maintenance Tech
Retired 1978
Died April 12, 2003

Louis O. Skidmore
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1985
Died June 9, 2003

Joel B. Mackey
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1979
Died June 21, 2003

Billie C. Rhodes
Motor Vehicle Mechanic
Retired 1993
Died July 18, 2003

Leonard R. Bailey
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1997
Died September 7, 2003

James D. Ponder
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1999
Died September 8, 2003

San Angelo District

George Olson
Sonora Residency
Retired 1986
Died January 20, 2003

Jimmy Hanson
San Angelo Area Office
Retired 1993
Died March 5, 2003

Edgar Smith
Eden Maintenance
Retired 1980
Died March 24, 2003

Wilkins Hoppe
Ballinger Resident Engineer
Retired 1975
Died April 9, 2003

Finis Legg
Sterling City Maintenance
Retired 1985
Died April 25, 2003

Ray Barlemann
Sonora Residency
Retired 1987
Died April 29, 2003

Russell Turnbow
Maintenance Supervisor
Retired 1980
Died August 13, 2003

Henry Cox
District Sign Shop
Retired 1981
Died August 28, 2003

Tyler District

Wilford Easley
Transportation Maintenance
Technician
Died November 9, 2002

Waco District

James W. Cowan, II, P. E.
Area Engineer
Died March 21, 2003

Yoakum District

Joseph B. Balusek
Retired 1976
Died August 15, 2003

Alfred F. Filla
Retired 1975
Died August 30, 2003

Melvin H. Simimons
Retired 1975
Died August 29, 2003

Benjamin W. Buscha
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1986
Died February 26, 2003

Lawrence Heinsohn
Roadway Maint. Supervisor
Retired 1995
Died March 28, 2003

Charles Svatek
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1990
Died April 30, 2003

Maud Louise Albrecht
Auditor
Retired 1974
Died June 17, 2003

Kenneth Charles Hale
Bridge Tender Coordinator
Retired 2002
Died June 20, 2003

Ernest D. Davis
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1992
Died June 19, 2003

Walter Hengst, Jr.
Maintenance Technician
Retired 1985
Died August 15, 2003

General Services Division

Billy M. Witt, Jr.
Electrical/AC Mechanic I
Died March 2, 2003

Information Systems Division

Jeff Hazard
Information Systems Analyst
Retired 2003
Died August 22, 2003

Maintenance Division

Mark S. Wampler
Architect
Died May 2, 2003

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Yoakum District

Lynn R. Mauldin, 45 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Melba K. Bucek, 38 years
District Chief Accountant III
Edwin H. Vonhaefen Jr., 38 years
Bldg. Maintenance Mechanic
Jerry W. Tietz, 36 years
Maintenance Technician
John T. Byrnes, 36 years
Purchase/Materials Admin.
Carolyn Schroeder, 36 years
Human Resource Officer
Melvin B. Bayless, 35 years
District Engineer I
Elroy J. Sternadel, 35 years
Traffic Systems Technician
Robert C. Arlitt, 35 years
Auditor V
Stanley N. Fritsche, 34 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Emil P. Kloesel Jr., 34 years
Preventive Maint. Coordinator

Alroy P. Malina, 34 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Roman F. Buzek, 34 years
Radio Repair Technician
Jeannie M. Hermes, 34 years
DE/DD Secretary
Robert J. Fikac, 33 years
Warehouse Coordinator
James A. Otto, 33 years
Construction Inspector
Albert J. Sestak, 32 years
Sign Technician
Fred E. Kollman, 32 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Woodrow G. Hluchan, 31 years
Construction Inspector
Gus J. Pilcik Jr., 30 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
David S. Schneider, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Maynard J. Wagner, 30 years
Director
Howard A. Auzston, 30 years
Bridge Tender Coordinator

Robert E. Rehak, 30 years
Transportation Maint. Chief
Larry D. Rutherford, 29 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Lonnie N. Grumbles, 29 years
Maintenance Supervisor
Robert W. Anderson, 29 years
Bridge Tender
Donald G. Johnson, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Alice M. Cockrell, 25 years
Construction Record keeper
Jerald J. Jolly, 25 years
Construction Inspector
Jewel F. Pleasant, 25 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Ruben A. Trevino, 25 years
Construction Inspector
Milton J. Barta, 20 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Charles C. Goodwin, 19 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.
Julius C. Siegel, 7 years
Transportation Maint. Tech.

Calendar

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14-15 2003 Transportation Short Course
16-17 Contract Management, San Antonio, GSD
23-24 Effective Contract Writing, Houston, GSD
26-29 Road Profilers User's Group Meeting, Austin, CST
28 Donley County Safety Rest Area Opening, Childress District
30 Commission Meeting, Austin

NOVEMBER

3-6 Research Management Committee Meeting, Austin, RTI
4-5 Bid Letting, Austin, CST
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backtracks



Michael Hainline of the Dallas District was first to answer the **backtracks** call in September, which appeared to be no mystery at all. Over 50 TxDOT folks, past and present, spoke with authority about how great the fishing still is at Rollover Pass, especially from the bridge. The bridge is part of SH 87 near Gilchrist, about 20 miles east of the Galveston ferry landing. Due to space constraints, there will be no **backtracks** photo to identify in this issue.



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